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"Online Alternator Flywheel System"

Response under Rule 111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated February 7, 2005 in the above-captioned Application, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this Application in view of the following remarks:

Remarks

Claims 1 and 9 have been rejected under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by Patent No. 5,932,935 to Clifton et al. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection on the ground that the apparatus disclosed by Clifton does not read on claims 1 or 9.

Claims 1 and 9 each define a flywheel energy storage system having a field controller that maintains power to the field coil during standby operation so that the current to the field coil remains substantially constant during a period including immediately before an interruption of primary power and immediately after an interruption of primary power (claim 1) and the preinterruption field current 80 is